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NIS' COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 239

5 MARCH 1957

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1. The following were present:

Mr. D. J. Clinton	State
Mr. R. S. Kain	State
Lt. Col. D. H. Smith	Army
Maj. J. W. Jacobson	Army
*Mr. Andre E. Gerard	Army
Capt. R. E. Styles	Navy
LCdr. H. W. Holschuh	Navy
25X1A9a**Mr. H. H. Strickland	Air Force
	CIA
	CIA
	CIA (Chairman)
	CIA (Vice Chairman)
	CIA (Secretary)

* In attendance for review of Chapter I.

** Alternate for regular Air Force members.

2. Review of Chapter I on Communist China

The Committee reviewed Chapter I on NIS 39A (Communist China) and approved the draft with certain changes, subject to further review of comments on Section 11 to be submitted later by the State member. The Chapter I Task Group was requested to review the detailed comments submitted by the member agencies and to transmit to all members for final approval any fundamental changes to Section 11 resulting from State's review. The Committee decided to control Chapter I in view of the contributor controls placed on "Comments on Principal Sources" of five sections and on Section 19 in its entirety.

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3. NIS Outline Guides

The Navy member reported that an inter-agency meeting was held on 28 February 1957 to consider changes in the outline guide of Section 56 (Intelligence and Security), along the lines suggested by Navy to meet SDMICC requirements (refer to Item 2 NCM 238). At that meeting the Section 56 contributor submitted a proposed outline guide draft which is being considered by the interested agencies before the group meets again. The State member submitted an additional Section 56 proposal in memorandum dated 4 March 1957 which was referred to the working group for consideration at its next meeting.

The Army member submitted a proposed revision to portions of the outline guide for Section 64 (Manufacturing and Construction) under date of 5 March 1957 (refer to Item 2 NCM 238), which resulted from the considerations of an inter-agency meeting held on 25 February. The State member reported that full agreement could not be reached with the Air Force on State's proposal of 19 February 1957 for changes in Subsection 64D (Aircraft Production) and State was therefore submitting a substitute proposal under date of 4 March 1957. The Committee deferred consideration of the proposed revisions to Section 64 outline guide until the next meeting. Upon completion of the Committee actions respecting the several portions of the outline guide, the State member will prepare and circulate to the Committee members for final approval a full draft of the revised outline guide for Section 64.

4. "Comments on Principal Sources" - Supplements I and VI

The Committee approved the following changes in the outline guides for Supplement I (Ports and Naval Facilities) and Supplement VI (Communism):

Supplement I -- Delete Section 7 "Comments on Principal Sources" and add same topic as title of a new subsection at the end of each Section 2 through 6; Supplement VI -- delete Section 10 "Comments on Principal Sources" and add same topic as title of a new subsection at the end of each Section 1 through 8 (refer to Item 4 NCM 238).

In a discussion of this matter, the chairman observed that it is the intent to have the Comments tailored to the specific topic of each section, except where the Comments require a common treatment for the Supplement as a whole, in which event such treatment will be repeated in each section. He also noted that, while it is necessary to restrict the list of sources to the principal ones, the commentary should fully meet the requirements of the NIS Standard Instructions as supplemented by NIS Memo No. 4 of 9 May 1949.

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The vice chairman reported that NIS production for the month of February was only 58% of scheduled requirements and the FY 1957 production through 28 February was as follows:

	<u>Sections Scheduled</u>		<u>Sections Delivered</u>		<u>Percent Complete</u>
State	108		55		51%
Army	74		56		76
Navy	30		32		107
Air Force	15		9		60
CIA/DD/P	11)		2)		18)
CIA/ORR	25)		23)	45	92)
CIA/OSI	16)	61	11)		69)
CIA/OBI	9)		9)		100)
Total:	<u>288</u>		<u>197</u>		<u>68%</u>

6. Suspense Items

The State member reported a delay in the receipt of comments from the field regarding Section 55 on NIS 61 (South Africa). It was agreed to have this section contribution resubmitted by State on 20 March 1957. In the case of Section 59 on NIS 27 (Turkey) the State member advised that comments had been received from the field so that review processing can be resumed without delay.

7. Other Matters

a. A request by the Navy member to reschedule Section 82M on NIS 9 (Spain) from January to June 1957 in order to include recent changes in the Spanish Government was not approved. The Committee held that, while it was proper for Navy to delay the contribution for the stated reasons, NIS policy does not permit rescheduling within a current production schedule.

b. The Army member requested that the NIS Coordinator's office, ACSI, be notified in advance of all inter-agency NIS conferences at which Army components will be represented.

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c. The Navy member announced by memorandum dated 4 March 1957 that effective 21 February 1957, the Naval Aerology Branch (Op-533) was designated as the Naval Weather Service Division (Op-58) and requested that this name change be reflected in NIS Contributor Statements and in the Directory of NIS Personnel.

8. The next meeting of the NIS Committee will be held at 1000 hours on Tuesday, 19 March 1957.



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